46th Annual
Christmas Craft Show

H.O. Weeks Center Aiken, SC 29803

Friday, December 2nd & Saturday, December 3rd, 2016

2016
Food Vendor
Application
Enclosed



Christmas Craft Show Aiken Parks, Recreation & Tourism Dept. H.O. Weeks Center P.O. Box 1177 Aiken, S.C. 29802-1177



## City of Aiken

Post Office Box 1177 Aiken, South Carolina 29802



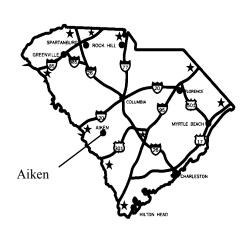
Dear Potential Food Vendor,

Enclosed you will find the application packet for the 46th Annual Christmas Craft Show. Reading all of the rules and regulations found in this packet should help to answer any questions you may have. You will be notified by mail if you have been selected for the show. If you need an additional application it can be found online at www.cityofaikensc.gov. Be sure to read through this packet carefully, even if you are a returning crafter. Once you have read through the packet, mail the completed check request form, completed and signed application, photo sheet, \$25.00 check for the deposit only, self-addressed and stamped business sized envelope, copy of your driver's license, and typed menu with pricing information no later than September 1st. Your application will not be processed if any of these items are missing. The application booklet is yours to keep for reference prior to the show. Should you have any questions concerning the show or your application packet, contact me via e-mail at rgaines@cityofaikensc.gov or by phone at (803) 642-631.

Sincerely,

### **Rasheka Gaines**

Recreation Program Coordinator City of Aiken Parks, Recreation & Tourism Dept. Fax (803) 642-7631 sradford@cityofaikensc.gov



DEADLINE
SEPTEMBER 1, 2016

Late Fees Will Be Assessed After 9/1/2016

If you are a past Christmas Craft Show Vendor, location requests will be taken into consideration, but you may not be assigned to the same location you had before and past participation does <u>not</u> guarantee entry. (see page 3 instructions)

## Rules & Regulations

#### APPLICATION

- The postmark on a submitted application is the sole determination of meeting the deadline.
- All accepted vendors are required to attend the show. If you have an emergency and cannot attend the show, call the PRT Department at (803) 642-7631 or email us at <a href="mailto:sradford@cityofaikensc.gov">sradford@cityofaikensc.gov</a> to notify the staff. Whenever possible, give several days notice so that your space may be filled. <a href="mailto:No refunds">No refunds</a>.
- Photos submitted with applications may be compared to your food items any time before or during the show. The City of Aiken reserves the right to ask vendors to leave the show if the photos do not match the food being sold.
- There will be no rain date. A registration is a commitment to the show and no refunds will be made.
- The submittal of an application and deposit is <u>not</u> a guarantee of acceptance in the show. This is a juried show and the Parks, Recreation & Tourism Department reserves the right to refuse acceptance of any application. To insure greater variety and opportunity for vendors and customers, <u>a limited number of vendors will be accepted for each food category</u>. The decisions on acceptance into the craft show and the placement of booths/trucks is determined by the PRT staff and jury members. All decisions are final. Past participation does not guarantee entry.
- Pepsi is a sponsor of the City of Aiken PRT. All bottled soft drinks sold at the CCS must be Pepsi products, including water.
- Include completed check request form, completed and signed application, photo sheet, \$25.00 check for the deposit only, self-addressed and stamped business sized envelope, and typed menu with prices.

#### **BOOTH**

All food vendors MUST be set up by 8:30PM on Thursday, December 1st. You may not remove you booth/truck until the end of the show on Saturday. If you are not set-up at the designated time you will be charged a \$30 fine. This fine must be paid upon checking out, or you will be removed from the mailing list.

- Vendors are to bring enough food to sell both days of the show. No vendor is to breakdown their booth early. Anyone who breaks down their booth early or does not show up for the event will be removed from the mailing list.
- Canopies and tents, including any connecting wires or stakes, MUST be totally contained within the crafter's assigned space. If you are using a tent or canopy, you must use stakes or weights to make sure it stays anchored.
- City of Aiken PRT reserves the right to relocate a booth if safety becomes an issue
- A vendor may not sell a space or any part of a space.
- Vendors must use SILENT generators. The City of Aiken does not provide generators for use.

#### **FACILITY**

All doors to the Weeks Center will remain locked until 7:00am on Friday and 8:00am on Saturday.

This is for the

protection of all crafters and the PRT Department. All vendors must check in at the front desk prior to setup.

- Food vendors are not allowed inside the center.
- All crafters must park in the lot behind the Weeks Center during show hours. The front parking lot is for customers.
- Security will be provided Thursday and Friday nights. However, the City of Aiken will not be held responsible for loss or damage for any reason.
- No pets are allowed inside the building

### Instructions

- Submit your completed check request form, completed and signed application, photo sheet, \$25.00 check for the deposit only, self-addressed and stamped business sized envelope, a typed copy of your menu with prices, and proof of insurance no later than September 1st. Hand delivered applications will not be accepted.
- Applications will not be processed if any items are missing.
- Applications postmarked after September 1st will not be considered and will be returned.
- A deposit check of \$25 only is required for each application, and is receipted and deposited the day vour packet is opened. This DOES NOT guarantee entrance into the show. If you are not accepted into the show, your deposit will be refunded to you. If you ARE accepted into the show, your deposit will be applied to the balance remaining from the total cost of the booth space. We will not accept a check for the full amount until you have been accepted.
- Fill out your name and full address on the check request form (page 6) where highlighted yellow. You must also sign the check request form beside 'Payee's Signature' also highlighted in yellow, your application cannot be processed without this. Do <u>not</u> include an account number or any additional information on the check request form.
- If accepted to the show, your balance is due no later than **November 1st** via cash, check, or money order. If your balance is not paid by November 1st, you will forfeit your spot. Past participation does not guarantee entry.
- You may request a space with the understanding that there is **NO GUARANTEE** that you will receive your requested space, even if you had that spot last year. Past participation does not guarantee acceptance.
- All information other than the application, photos, check, check request, and self addressed stamped envelope should be kept for reference.
- Mail to: Christmas Craft Show, City of Aiken PRT Department Attention: Sam Radford, P.O. Box 1177, Aiken, S.C. 29802
- Acceptance/denial notifications and receipts will be mailed <u>no earlier</u> than September 26th, 2016.

## Photos

\*\*The most important part of your application to the 2016 Christmas Craft Show\*\*

The jury cannot physically examine your food products so they must rely on your photos. Send four (4) quality photos on photo paper that represent all work to be sold. Do not send any more than four. The four required photos must be submitted with the application (whether or not crafter has been in previous shows).

No exceptions. Photos will not be returned. Attach photos to the last page of application.

- 1. A photo of the vendor booth. Make sure it shows the quality of your booth/truck/tent.
- 2. A second photo of the booth, different than the first, taken from another angle or from inside.
- 3. A photo of your food product.
- 4. A second photo of your food product.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

LOCATION:	Weeks Center
	1700 Whiskey Road
	Aiken, South Carolina
DATES & TIMES	Friday, December 2nd 9:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.
OF SHOW:	Saturday, December 3th 9:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.
SET UP DAY & TIME:	Thursday, December 1st 10:00a.m 8:30p.m.
	Friday, December 4th 7:00am to 8:30am
SPACE SIZE	Standard 12 x 12
	Larger spaces are available for an additional fee (see entry fee section)
ENTRY FEE	<u>ALL</u> applications require a \$25 deposit mailed in with the application, which will be receipted and deposited the day your packet is opened. This does not guarantee entry to the show. If you <u>are not</u> accepted into the show your
	deposit will be refunded to you. If you <u>are</u> accepted into the show, the deposit will
	be applied to your remaining balance.
	For a 12 x 12 space:
	\$100.00 for Aiken CITY residents
	\$140.00 for all others
	Aiken City residents are given a lower rate on booth spaces because they pay Aiken City taxes which help support the facility at which the show is held.
	If you need a space larger than 12 x 12:
	\$0.80 per sq. foot for Aiken CITY Residents
	\$1.10 per sq. foot for all others
	<b>FOR EXAMPLE</b> : If you are <b>not</b> an Aiken City resident and your trailer is 12 x 14:
	Multiply length x width 12 x 14= 168  Multiply 168 by 1.10 (non resident fee) 168 x 1.10=184.80  You would owe \$136.08
TAXES AND HEALTH REGULATIONS	All vendors are responsible for reporting applicable sales tax
	according to federal and state tax laws. You are responsible for
	meeting all state and local health codes. Contact the appropriate
	offices for information.
POWER	Power will not be provided. You are responsible for providing your
	own power source. If your set-up requires power, generators must be
	gas powered. Generators must be silent.

#### CHECK REQUEST

PAYABLE TO:	Please print your name, add state, and zip code in here.		TOTAL	REQUESTED:	
		-	_	eral Fund N/A	
		Re	eturn check to:		
ACCOUNT NUMBER:			AMOUNT:		
Is there special holding or depreciation funds available? Yes No _X					
Does this require a fixed asset sheet? Yes No _X					
REFUND X SERVICES RENDERED REMARKS:			OTHER		
Refund of Christmas Craft	Show Deposit.				
Please sign and date next to where i Payee's Signature.	t states				
PAYEE'S SIGNATURE:					
PERSON COMPLETING THIS CHECK REQUEST:				DATE:	
DEPARTMENT HEAD APPROVAL:				DATE:	
ASSISTANT MANAGER'S SIGNATURE:					

<sup>(</sup>IF OVER \$2,500.00)

""Check requests are received in the finance Department by 10 am on Tuesdays and Thursdays are processed and ready at 4:30 on these days. If there is a problem with the account number, insufficient documentation or lacks proper approval, it will be returned to your department immediately.""

# Food Vendor Application Form 46th Annual Christmas Craft Show

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Fax (803) 642-7639

www.cityofaikensc.gov

#### Please TYPE or PRINT clearly, filling in ALL information including ZIP and AREA codes.

Name:						
City:			Zip:			
Home Phone: (	)	Mobile Phone: (	)		_	
Work Phone: (	)	Fax Number: (	)			
Email:						
Website (no photos r	required) :			_		
Description of Food	to Be Served:					
I have read and agr	ee to abide by the r	rules and regulations containe			- icket	
Signature:		Date:				
Booth Fee Aiken City Resident			\$100.00	\$	_	
Booth Fee All Others			\$140.00	\$	_	
Custom Square Footage Booth (larger than 12 x 12)			varies	\$	_	
Total Due				\$	_	
Total Due less deposit (will be your balance remaining if accepted) Make check payable to City of Aiken ONLY your \$25 deposit is due at this time			-\$25.00	\$	-	
Did you include (pleas  Completed Check	se initial by each one): k Request Form (pag	ge 6)				
• Completed and signed application (pages 7&8)						
• Four quality photos stapled to the photo sheet page 8)						
• \$25 Deposit Che	ck made out to City	of Aiken				
Self addressed, stamped, business sized envelope						
• Menu			*Ret	urn page with applicat	ion	

## **Photo Display Sheet— Overlap Photos**

Staple ONE booth/truck photo here to show the quality of your booth/truck/tent	Staple ANOTHER booth/truck photo here *different than the first* taken from another angle or from inside.				
Staple <u>ONE</u> photo of your food product	Staple <u>ANOTHER</u> photo of your food product *Different from the first*				
DO NOT GLUE your pictures.  This page should have FOUR total photos stapled to it.  ALL photos must fit on this page. It is OK if they overlap.					
Applicant certifies that the submitted photos accurately depict applicant's food products and booth/ truck which they will be sold out of. By placing my signature below, I agree to be bound by the Christmas Craft Show rules, regulations, and procedures.  Applicant Signature:					